tier of quality management, the State Government is required to deploy State Quality Monitors (SQMs) for monitoring of quality of road works under the programme. In the third tier of quality mechanism, National Rural Roads Develoment Agency (NRRDA) is engaging independent National Quality Monitors (NQMs) for monitoring of quality of raod works on random basis. Since inception upto December, 2007, 1081 inspections have been carried out by the NQMs in Jharkhand. The details of quality grading awarded by NQMs are given below:

Completed Works				Ongoing Works			
Insp.	S	U	U%	Insp.	S	U	U%
281	177	104	37	800	412	388	49

The State Government has been advised to take up necessary rectification work in respect of projects which has been rated 'unsatisfactory' on the basis of inspection of NQMs and submit necessary action taken reports of the NRRDA.

Legend:—Insp=Inspection, S=Satisfactory, U=Unsatisfactory

Construction of roads under PMGSY in Orissa

3979. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Orissa Government has submitted certain proposals to the Ministry for construction/up-gradation of roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the State, for providing connectivity to the rural areas; and

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the time-frame within which the allocation would be made and the State Government apprised in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) and (b) The Government of Orissa had last submitted project proposal for 1689 roads works measuring 6617.05 kilometers and valued at Rs. 2670.21 crore under Phase VII of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). These proposals have been cleared/sanctioned by the Ministry on November 8, 2007. No further project proposal has been received from the Government of Orissa thereafter.

New guidelines for NREGS

3980. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. MABEL REBELLO:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has framed new guidelines for the implementation of National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some States have objected to these new directives of the Centre; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action plan of the Centre to address their apprehensions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) No, Sir. The Government has not framed any new guidelines for implementation of NREGS.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

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3981. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1811 given in the Rajya Sabha on 29th August, 2007 and state:

(a) whether Government has received the required detailed proposal regarding upgradation of existing Jal Seva Training Institute from the State Government of Gujarat; and

(b) if so, the status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Directive to review the implementation of land reform programmes

3982. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has directed the States to thoroughly review the implementation of land reform programmes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the benefits of the land reforms are not reaching at the grassroot level; and

(d) if so, the latest strategies Government propose to make to ensure that the benefits of land reforms programmes reaches at the grassroot level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) to (d) Land and its management falls within the administrative jurisdiction of the State Governments as provided under Entry No. 18 of State List (List II) of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution. The role of the Centre Government in this field is only of an advisory and coordinating nature. However, implementation of land reforms programmes is reviewed from time to time at vatious fora, including Conferences of the Revenue Ministers/Secretaries of States and UTs organized by the Ministry of Rural Development. The State Governments have been requested from time to time for distribution of ceiling surplus land, Govt. wasteland and Bhoodan land to